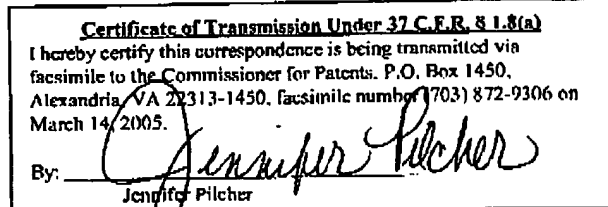


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In re application: **Dutta et al.**Serial No.: **09/383,742**Filed: **August 26, 1999**For: **System and Method for
Incorporating Semantic Characteristics
into the Format-Driven Syntactic
Document Transcoding Framework**§
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§Group Art Unit: **2654**Examiner: **Edouard, Patrick Nestor**Attorney Docket No.: **AT9-99-310****PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE FIRST MONTH**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action in the above case, pursuant to 37 CFR Section 1.17(a). **Please charge the \$120.00 extension fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3157.** No additional extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an additional extension of time is required, the extension is requested and, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-3157.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Duke W. Yee", written over a horizontal line.

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